

# FINAL PORTFOLIO

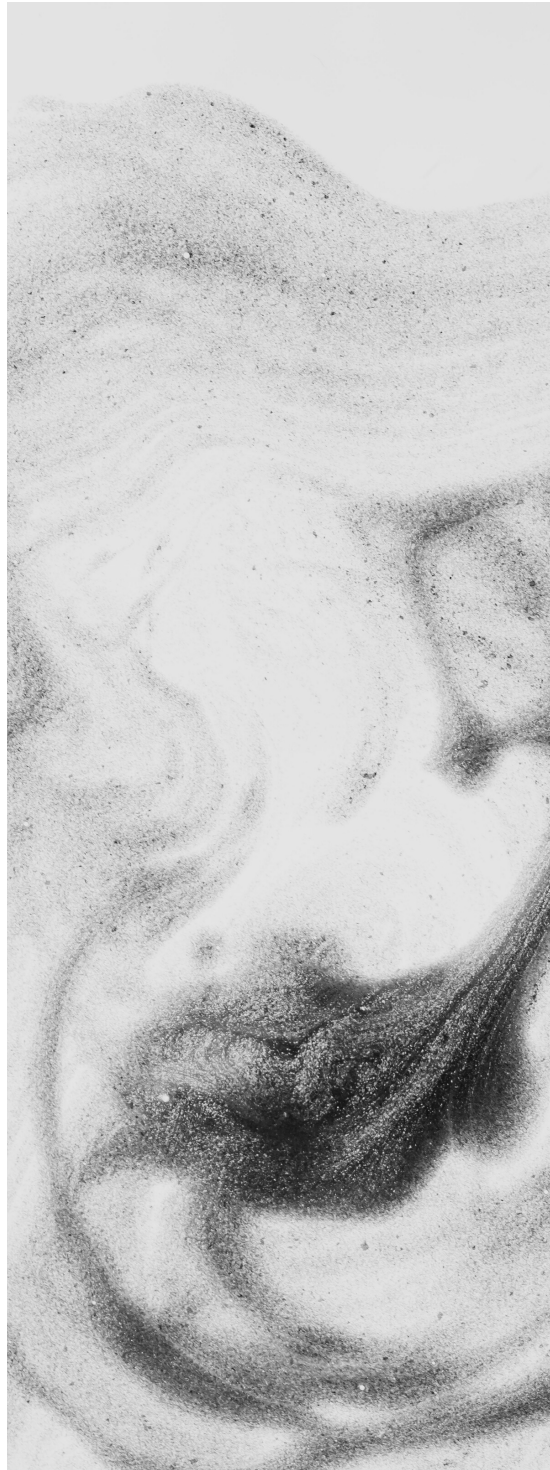


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## LET'S SAY GOODBYE

The train will stop at the station after all  
The moon guides the way  
But not companionship  
Lovers are whispering by the fig tree  
Summer is a season full of regrets  
But this time  
let's not apologize to each other  
The air trembled with the smell of alcohol  
As if the flames were burning in the night sky





## Darkness

Every night is worthy of respect  
Let all things that flourish have a home  
Let every embrace not fall short  
For it is in the darkness of night that truth is  
easily forgiven by itself  
Your open heart is quickly burned by the sun  
So the night always breeds life in abundance  
Enough to do all the bad things during the day  
So sometimes, we give birth to meanness and  
shamelessness in the night  
And then come to forge our innocence and  
courage in the daytime



## Self-portrait with Bandaged Ear

My ears are on fire with pain.

An old pair of shoes stepping through the earth  
to wear out the stones

In the darkness

I hear the star

Living in empty plastic bottles, we

Pick up our pipes and whistle.

Imitating the monotony of a pocket watch back  
home

We open our hands like the Wright Brothers.

The silence is like someone whispering in the  
corner.

We send the blood we shed far away.

I don't shave your beard. I don't give you a  
paintbrush.

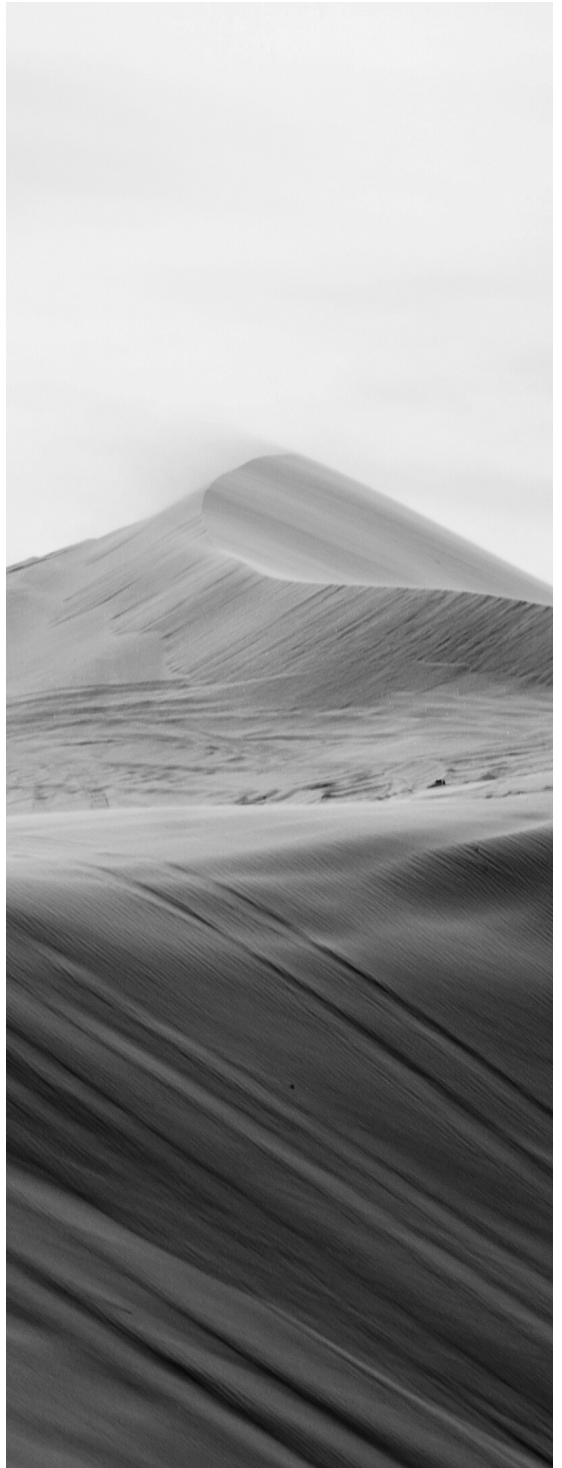
You crouch down to the earth and don't move  
when you see the harvest.

Through the night in your torn coat

We laugh at the poor boy.

We shed tears of love and wantonness.

A beast wounded by the blade of a knife.







## Cloud

I float towards you  
Wandering to the ends of the earth.  
I want to meet you too.  
The wind is blowing in my face  
I know  
I've learned to run  
I'm beginning to control my destiny  
A shadow.  
It hits my white body  
I look up in shame  
But you were still far away in the sky  
So, we are both clouds and clutter  
Live in different dimensions



## Snow

You and I agreed  
Together we will fall to earth  
To embark on a grand adventure  
The wind changed our trajectory  
You and I parted at a watershed  
You cried: We must be reunited in this life  
Gradually, life has smoothed my edges  
The years have changed my appearance  
I hid in a dark corner, not wanting to see you again.



## Remembering a Dream

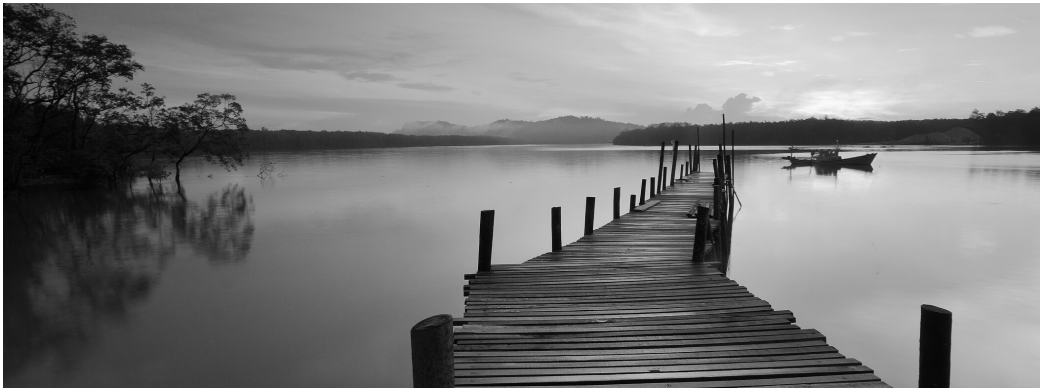
The shells are filled with the sea breeze  
The night sings the song of the fishing boats  
She walks naked through the waves  
The cold waves embrace her lightly  
The oars of the lost ship are left on the shore  
She can't push the dream. She can't reach  
Every drop of her tears hides the moon  
But the starry river is filled with the coldness of autumn.



## **A Poem for a Person**

The May breeze  
A short and gentle stirring  
Early morning sunlight  
The rainbow reflected in the lens  
I dare not turn around  
My eyes are gorgeous like beams  
I don't know if it's the sunlight  
or your smile





## Letter

Write a letter  
without moving your voice  
Send it to the first you

bubbling youthfulness  
The unconcealed joy  
is the first time you and I met

The unattainable nearness  
The unforeseen sweetness  
Unexpectedly reasonable  
The moment is the end, and the endless



## **Ginkgo**

You said you waited for an autumn tree  
Before you take it into your pocket  
The leaves are yellow with the autumn and move with the wind  
Let me guess  
Whose seasons are they hidden in





## **You**

You are the nightingale that rests in the moonlight  
You are the dark fragrance floating in the wind  
But the night never belongs to you  
You are the river that never ends  
You are the spirit that pulsates with the waves  
Never asking what lies ahead  
You are the wild geese that fly south and never look back  
You are the sound of the valley echoing  
You will return to peace in the end

# Silence

Rain

A little wetting of the leaves

It hurts my heart

The truth in front of me

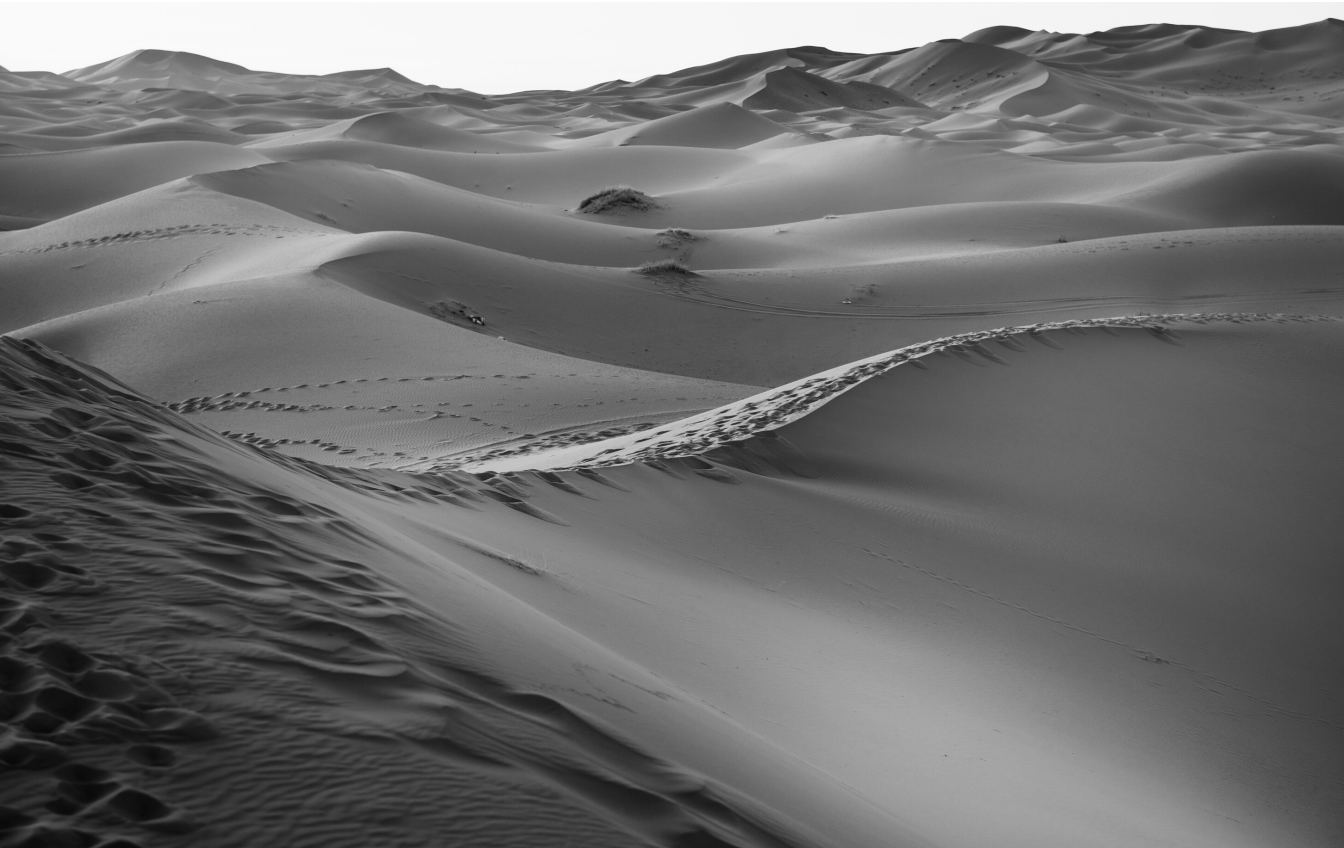
Blind my eyes

I don't want to believe it either

And you

With just silence

And my heart dies



## Die

I have already in my heart  
I have lived my life  
It's a simple verse  
It is a rocking chair in the sun  
In my dreams too  
I buried myself  
A river that reaches the end  
The ocean at the end  
Never lacking attraction







**Thank  
you**